

New Plants in the Philatelic Herbarium

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Echinocereus chisoensis CACTACEAE

Common name: Chisos hedgehog cactus

Synonyms: *E. metornii*, *E. fobeanus* subsp. *metornii*

Succulent perennial with solitary stems to 30 cm, 3-5 cm wide, having 10-16 ridges tipped with numerous spines, 6-20 mm. Pink or red flowers 2.5 to 7 cm wide, 6 cm long appear in March-April. Found in Chihuahuan Desert shrublands or grasslands on gravelly soils, in Texas and Mexico

Turkish Republic of Northern Cyprus Scott #831a. Issued 24 Sept. 2019 in a set of 2 in sheets of 12.



Myrrhinium atropurpureum var. **octandrum**

MYRTACEAE

Common name: Palo de Fierro

Synonyms: *M. lanceolatum*, *M. loranthoides*, *M. octandrum*, *M. peruvianum*, *M. rubiflorum*, *M. salicinum*, *M. sarcopetalum*, *Tetrastemon loranthoides*

Evergreen shrub to 4.5 m. Leaves leathery 3.2-4.7 cm long, 1-2 cm wide. Flowers in clusters of 11-15, 12-15 mm diameter, directly on branches, have pearly white petals with long red stamens. Found in secondary montane forests to 2,000 m in Colombia, Ecuador, Peru, Brazil, Argentina and Uruguay.

Uruguay Scott # 2696a. Issued 25 Nov. 2019 titled Spring Series 2019. Designed by Daniel Pereyra and printed by Sanfer srl, Montevideo in sheets of 8 in a quantity of 15,000.



Luehea divaricata MALVACEAE

Common name: Francisco Álvarez tree

Synonyms: *Alegria divaricata*, *Brofera mediterranea*, *Thespesia brasiliensis*

Tree to 20 m. Simple, alternate leaves, trinervated, 7-9 cm x 3-5 cm. White flowers with yellow tints, January to July. Wood used in carpentry. Found in riverine mountain areas, from Brazil, Paraguay, Uruguay and Argentina.

Uruguay Scott #2696c. Issued 25 Nov. 2019 for the Spring Series 2019.



Hypericum connatum HYPERICACEAE

Common name: Oreja de gato

Synonyms: *H. chlorifolium*, *H. connatum* var. *chlorifolium*, *H. connatum* var. *fiebrigii*, *H. connatum* var. *paraguariense*, *H. cyathifolium*, *Sarothra connata*

Perennial plant 23-100 cm. Opposite leaves fuse around stems.

Ornamental and medicinal plant with yellow flowers. Found in pastures and dry rocky areas to 2,000 m in Argentina, Uruguay, Paraguay, Brazil and Bolivia.

Uruguay Scott #2696d. Issued 25 Nov. 2019 for Spring Series 2019.

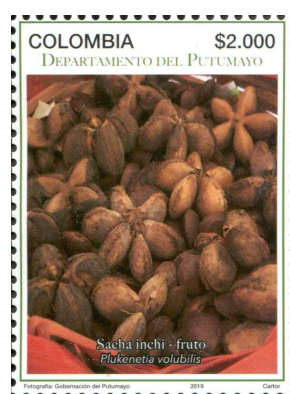
Alhagi psuedalhagi FABACEAE

Common name: Camelthorn

Undershrub 60-90 cm. Leaves simple, alternate, 1 to 2.5 cm by 3-8 mm, obovate or elliptic. Flowers 0.5-1 cm long, 0.2-0.5 cm broad, on spine-tipped branches, appear April-September, pink or reddish violet. Fruit 2-3.5 cm by 2-3 mm. Range: temperate and tropical Eurasia and Middle East. Used in Ayurvedic medicine.



Uzbekistan Scott #906c. Issued 10 Dec. 2019 in a sheet of 6 for Flora and fauna of Kyzylkum State Reserve. Drawn by Kim A. and designed by Kanvets E. Printed by multicolor offset on coated paper in 8,000 copies.

**Plukenetia volubilis** EUPHORBIACEAE

Common names: Inca nut, sacha inchi, sacha peanut, mountain peanut

Synonyms: *Fragariopsis paxii*, *Plukenetia macrostyla*, *P. peruviana*, *Sajorum volubile*

Evergreen climber to 2 m. Leaves 10-12 cm by 8-10 cm, alternate, cordate, serrate, covered with trichomes. Male flowers small white in clusters. Female flowers at base of inflorescence. Grows in disturbed areas or forest edges of lowland moist or wet forest below 900 m. Range: Brazil, Bolivia, Peru, Ecuador, Colombia, Venezuela, Surinam and Caribbean islands. Cultivated for many years. Leaves and roasted seeds are eaten, oil from nuts used in cosmetics.

Colombia Scott #1533j. Issued 27 Dec. 2019 in a minisheet of 12 promoting the Department of Putumayo. Perforated 13½ x 13. Printed by Cartor Security Printing, in a run of 53,892 stamps.

Viola dukadjinica VIOLACEAE

Perennial herb. Flowers yellow. Found on stony slopes, serpentine soils and subalpine meadows. Range: N. & E. Albania to NW. Greece. 1900-2600 m.

Kosovo Scott #386. Issued 24 August 2018 as part of a set of 5 flowers.

**Mammillaria magnimamma** CACTACEAE

Common names: Mexican pincushion

Synonyms: *M. centricirrha*, *M. flavovirens*, *M. gladiata*, *M. macrantha*, *M. pentacantha*, *M. phymattothele*, *M. zuccainiana*

Perennial succulent, solitary at first, branching basally to produce a mound 50 cm diameter to 30 cm tall. Stems flattened to globose, 10-13 cm diameter, gray to greenish blue. Flowers in spring, white or cream with red midveins to deep purplish pink, 20-25 mm wide, long and in diameter. Grow on rocky substrates, including lava fields, in open xerophyllous vegetation. Widespread in central Mexico, 100 -2700 m.



Romania Scott #6396. Issued 3 March 2020 in a set of 4 for the 160th anniversary of the Dimitrie Brandza Botanical Garden in Bucharest. Designed by George Ursachi. Printed in sheets of 32 (35,712 stamps printed) and in minisheets of 5 stamps and a label (4,200 printed) by offset in 4 colors on chromo-gummed paper of British origin.

***Schefflera heptaphylla* ARALIACEAE**

Common name: Ivy tree

Synonyms: 15 synonyms

Tree to 25 m. Semi-deciduous with 6-9 leaflets on petioles 10-30 cm. Leaflets elliptic to oblong, 7-18 cm by 3-5 cm. Panicles of yellowish green flowers from fall to early winter. Blueish black berries. Found in open forest and forest edges of evergreen broad-leaved forests on mountain slopes 100-2100 m in China, Japan, Myanmar, Thailand, Laos, Vietnam and Philippines. Bark and leaves used medicinally.



Macao Scott #1595d. Issued 20 April 2020 in a series of Medicinal Plants four stamps and a souvenir sheet. Designed by Lui Chak Keong. Printed by offset lithography with microprinting on paper with security fibers by Joh. Enschedé Security Print, The Netherlands in a quantity of 250,000.

***Capparis zoharyi* CAPPARACEAE**

Common name: Jerusalem caper

Shrub, erect with twigs to 2 m, green to reddish purple. Stipules curved, decurrent, orange 0.3-0.6 cm long. Leaves rounded rarely ovate, 2-4 x 2-4 cm. Flowers March to October. Buds rounded. Flowers white with pink stamens. Found growing on walls, rocks and slopes in Mediterranean Europe, North Africa, Israel, Jordan, Lebanon, Syria at elevations 0-200 m.

Israel Scott #2263. Issued 9 June 2020 in a series of 3 featuring Summer Flowers. Designed by Tuvia Kurtz and Ronen Goldberg. Printed by offset with a microtext security mark by Cartor Security Printing in France in sheets of 15 with 5 labels.



***Osbeckia octandra* MELASTOMACEAE**

Common name: Eight stamen osbeckia, heen bovitiya (Sinhala)

Subshrub with spreading habit to 2 m. Leaves, elliptical 1.5-6 x 0.5-2 cm with prominent veins. Flowers, 5-8 cm, pink to mauve and purple, solitary or in loose clusters. Grows close to water in grasslands or woodlands in Sri Lanka and in evergreen forest in the Western Ghats of India. Used in Ayurvedic medicine for liver ailments.

Sri Lanka Scott #2210. Issued on 13 December 2019 in a set of 3 Provincial Flowers. Designed by P. Isuru Chatthuranga. Printed in 4 colors on sheets of 100, in quantity of 300,000.